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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

RALF BIRKELBACH et al.

Application No. 10/633,592

**Filed: August 5, 2003**

**For: SELF-TAPPING SCREW**

**Group Art Unit: 3677**

**Examiner: J. Sharp**

**Atty Docket: 000137.00026**

**AMENDMENT**

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS**  
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**Dear Sir:**

In response to the *final* Office Action dated May 25, 1005, please amend the instant application as follows:

**The Listing of the Claims begin at page 2.**

**The Remarks begin at page 5.**

--- ENTERED BY EXAMINER ---  
 5/14/05  
 [Signature]